

The Water Resources Development Act (WRDA) of 2010

Congress authorizes and appropriates funds for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to conduct water resources studies and projects for navigation, flood and storm protections, ecosystem restoration, and for other purposes. Below is the list of projects sent by Congressman Charlie Wilson to the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee for WRDA authorization.

Flood Feasibility Study for Ohio River Basin:

This project would amend Section 4070 of the Water Resources Development Act of 2007 to add tributaries to the Ohio River in Mahoning, Columbiana, Jefferson, Belmont, Noble, Monroe, Washington, Athens, Meigs, Gallia, Lawrence, and Scioto Counties in Ohio that are currently authorized in the study to determine the feasibility of carrying out future projects for flood damage reduction. This study would be conducted along the entire Ohio River and impact the 12 above listed Ohio counties that are included for flood damage reduction evaluations.

Flood Damage Reduction and Watershed Restoration, Yellow Creek and Short Creek, Ohio

This project would conduct a study to determine the feasibility of carrying out flood damage reduction and watershed restoration projects for Yellow Creek and Short Creek.

Ohio River Basin Water Management Plan

This project would authorize preparation of an Ohio River Basin-wide comprehensive water management plan. The preparation of a water management plan developed in close collaboration with the states, industry, environmental interests, and municipal and commercial users could forestall future conflicts in the allocation and management of water resources in the basin.

Ohio River Basin Infrastructure Plan

This project would authorize preparation of an Ohio River Basin Infrastructure Reinvestment Plan. The proposed legislative action would provide authority for preparation of a strategic plan, in collaboration with other agencies and local interests, to address needed reinvestment.

Muskingum River Basin

This project would authorize an Initial Watershed Assessment for the Muskingum River Basin. Such an assessment would identify primary water resources issues and those land use practices within the basin that affect the water quality, streamflow characteristics, and aquatic ecosystems of the basin.

Greenup Lock Extension

The Greenup plan of improvement includes a 600-foot extension of the existing 600-foot auxiliary lock to provide an overall length of 1,200 feet, extension of the downstream guide wall, and filling and emptying system improvements.

Belpre, Ohio Riverfront Park

This project will meet the demand for river-oriented recreation facilities in Belpre. The riverfront park would provide direct access from Belpre to Blennerhassett Island State Park in West Virginia via watercraft using the proposed docking facility at the riverfront park.

Hocking River Basin Ecosystem Restoration, Monday Creek, OH

This project consists of the construction of ecosystem restoration treatments within the Monday Creek Watershed to remove over 3,000 tons of acid loads per year.

Ironton Floodwall Pump Station Rehabilitation Project in the City of Ironton, Ohio

This project will rehabilitate eight pump stations that were constructed in the early 1940's. The electronic components of these pump stations have outlived their useful life and cannot be replaced because new components are no longer being manufactured. This rehabilitation will allow for normal system operation during periods of flooding.

Ironton Riverfront Bank Stabilization Project in the City of Ironton, Ohio

This project will stabilize approximately 3,200 lineal feet of Ohio River Shoreline along the Ironton Riverfront, which includes the boat ramp and the water treatment plant. The erosion of the riverbank occurred due to wave action from normal water currents and commercial watercraft activity. The erosion, if not stabilized, will eventually threaten the flood protection system for the City of Ironton.

Northeast Storm Water Management Project, Phase V in the City of Canfield, Ohio

This project will replace 1,500 feet of existing, inadequate storm sewer system to reduce yard and home flooding including sanitary sewer backup into residential basements.

In the Water Resources Development Act of 1999, Ohio was issued a state-wide authorization for environmental infrastructure projects. Congressman Wilson recently sent a letter to the Pittsburgh Army Corps and Huntington Army Corps in support of these authorized projects. The letters are below.

- [Letter to the Pittsburgh Army Corps](#)
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